

THE BULLETIN



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CALENDAR

Thursday, March 7, 5:30 p.m. Talking Shop With Tom Wicker, Associate Editor, N.Y. Times. (Details on page 3)

Monday, March 18 – OPC Theater Night – Backers audition of "Wings," modern musical adaptation of the Greek comedy "The Birds" by Aristophanes. Scheduled for off-Broadway production.

Thursday, March 21, 5:30 p.m. Talking Shop With Osborn Elliott, Editor. Newsweek. (Details on page 3)

Friday, March 22, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Twilight Jazz tribute to America's oldest black musical organization "New Amsterdam Musical Association" with Eva Taylor, famed vocalist, stage and recording star. (details next issue)

Wednesday, March 27, 12:30 p.m. Headliner's Luncheon. Bruce Rankin, Consul General of Canada, will speak on "Canadian Energy in America's Future." (See story on page 2.)

Tuesday, April 2, 5:30 p.m. OPC's 35th ANNIVERSARY PARTY, Music memories and much ado about that certain something that has helped us to survive our vicissitudes – This will be a fun party. (Details in next issue).

For reservations: please call Mary Novick, 687-2430.

**Monday, April 22 –
Annual Awards Dinner.
Keep the date open!**

MEMORIAL SERVICE
for Agatha Young who died on
February 6 will be held at the
OPC on Monday, March 11.

**The "World News Conference" and
luncheon, OPC's premiere with a
global NBC radio hookup took place
yesterday. Story in the next issue.**

From the President

As many of you know I had not wanted to run for a second two-year term as President. Now it appears that I have been nominated for re-election.

In accepting the nomination I am hard put to explain why, without seeming to be presumptuous or perhaps platitudinous.

Needless to say I feel truly honored. I will continue to work as hard as I can to carry forward the great professional tradition of the Club, and to cope with its financial problems.

The OPC probably always will live with a degree of financial difficulty. That is the way it is with all professional organizations. But we are far better off than we have been in a long time. For example, for the first time in several years we were able this month to make a payment

(modest) towards amortization of a rather sizeable bank debt.

We have some excellent programs ahead of us, following up the spectacular opening of our new Club quarters with a World Wide News Roundup.

We have every reason to look forward to a long and happy future for the OPC as it heads toward a 35th Anniversary, to be duly celebrated on April 2.

But success will not be automatic, we must constantly demonstrate the professional worth of the Overseas Press Club of America. We must attract many more young men and women from the print and electronic journalism and the allied professions in public communications.

To that we must all dedicate ourselves.

Jack Raymond

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE AND BOARD NOMINATED

The Nominating Committee under the chairmanship of *Larry Blochman* has nominated the following members for officers and members of the Board:

President: Jack Raymond

Vice Presidents: Anita Diamant Berke, John McAllister, Arthur G. Milton

Secretary: Helen Alpert

Treasurer: Louis J. Calderoni

Board of Governors, Active:

Jean Baer, Ruth C. Biemiller, Richard Dempewolff, Meyer Lurie, Ralph Leviton, Robin Moore, Joseph C. Peters, Ralph Salazar, Donald Shannon, Lawrence Stessin, John Noble Wilford.

Board of Governors, Associate:

David Anderson, George Burns, Jack Galub, Herbert Silverman, Sol Zatt.

According to our by-laws (Art. XI, Sec. 3), additional nominations can be made by petition. A petition for each candidate must be signed by no fewer than 40 members, active or associate, depending on the nominee's classification. Each petition must be

delivered in person to the Secretary or mailed and postmarked not later than 11 days after the date of the Bulletin's issue which contains the Nominating Committee's list of candidates. Accordingly, this year's petitions must be delivered or mailed by March 12.

COLUMBIA'S J. SCHOOL

RATED BEST IN NATION

In a survey made under a grant from the National Science Foundation, the Columbia Graduate School of Journalism was rated as the best in the nation.

The survey was conducted by Peter M. Blau, professor of sociology, and Rebecca Zames Margulies, a graduate student in Columbia University's Research Program.

The rating was based on replies to questionnaires sent to deans of 1,180 accredited, university affiliated professional schools who were asked to name their own professions.

WITH NO TEARS: BOYLE TOSSES IN TOWEL

By HAL BOYLE

New York, Feb. 22, (AP) — There are times when a man should go full speed and there are times when he should slow down.

After writing some 7,680 columns in more than 30 years it seems to me the time has come to slow down. So, from now on I have decided to become an intermittent columnist. Like an old hen, I will lay fewer eggs and spend more time brooding.

Several factors impelled me to this decision.

First, if I have failed to make a better world in 30 years, perhaps I've tried to rush things and now need to plan for a more systematic attack.

Second, unlike a dairy cow, a daily philosopher is not valued directly by his output. Overproduction is undervalued. The oracle is best remembered who speaks least.

If Socrates had not babbled his wisdom like a fountain at every street corner in Athens, he'd be better known today as a thinker and drinker — of bourbon *not* hemlock. When you bore 'em, you lose 'em. Overexposure can destroy anybody. Think how popular Santa Claus is on Jan. 1.

Thirdly, my conscience began to bother me. It takes a lot of pulpwood to print nearly 8,000 columns in several hundred newspapers over three decades, and my dreams have been haunted by visions of countless denuded hills, bare and tree-free. Am I the kind of man who wants to deforest his native land? No. Nor do I want America left without a tree for lovers to carve their initials in.

Finally, the biggest reason I decided to cut down on my regular output of columns is that I became the first guy on my block to acquire a rare and little known malady — Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis.

This is often called "Lou Gehrig's Disease" because it benched a generation ago the famous "Iron Horse," the first baseman for the New York Yankees.

It is a mysterious affliction of the spinal cord which cripples a body through atrophy of the voluntary muscles. The disease is progressive and terminal within two to five years after onset. Its cause is obscure and there is no treatment for it. Only two nice things can be said about it. It doesn't affect the mind and it is more fatiguing and uncomfortable than painful.

The irony of it to me is that after surviving three wars without a scratch I come down with an ailment that on the average strikes only one out of every 100,000 people. It is so rare you couldn't organize a reunion of ALS sufferers.

I hate to relinquish my daily column because writing it has been more than bread and butter to me. It has been a magic adventure that enabled me to meet thousands of people, 67 countries and every continent but the Antarctic.

I turned 63 yesterday. I am somewhat abashed that my wordage output is four times that of William Shakespeare. But I savor the fact that it enabled me to have more bylined stories on the main wires of the Associated Press than any other writer in its 126 years.

I guess this is the place to express my deeply felt thanks to all the readers who through all the years made the journey with me and shored up my spirits with kind letters of cheer, suggestion and criticism.

See you later.

(As we were about to close this issue, the news arrived that Boyle's mother, Mrs. Margaret Cavaghan Boyle, died in Kansas City on February 25, at the age of 86.)

CANADIAN CONSUL TO ADDRESS OPC LUNCHEON

The Canadian Consul General, Mr. Bruce Rankin, will address the Headliner's Luncheon, the first in our new quarters, on Wednesday, March 27. His timely topic will be "Canadian Energy in America's Future."

The luncheon will also mark Mr. Rankin's birthday — he was born on March 20, 1918, in Brandon, Manitoba. He graduated in 1941 from the University of Alberta, attended the National Defense College, and was an honorary member of the 1939 class at Princeton.

During World War II. Mr. Rankin served in the Royal Canadian Navy in the Atlantic and the Pacific. He joined the Canadian Foreign Service in 1945 and served in various capacities in several countries. He was Deputy Consul General in New York from 1959 to 1964, when he was appointed ambassador to Venezuela and to the Dominican Republic until he became Consul General in New York

in 1970. He also represented Canada as ambassador or chairman on various U.N. committees.

As a large attendance is expected at this important luncheon, members are urged to make reservations early. (See Calendar on page 1).

FROM PUERTO RICO

The Overseas Press Club of Puerto Rico will hold its Fifth Journalism Award Banquet on March 30 at the Caribe Hilton in San Juan. The Eddie Lopez Journalism Award will be presented to a newsman for "overall excellence in island journalism."

The club has 135 members, 31 more than a year ago.

PLACEMENT

Managing Editor wanted by New York-based magazine with readership largely made up of physicians. However, medical experience not required. The man selected must have a broad cultural background and be fully qualified to supervise all phases of editorial management. Salary \$30 M. Please refer resumes to #369.

Send resumes to the chairman of the Placement Committee: Mark J. Hennehan, Resnick-Hennehan Associates, 1775 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10019.

OBITUARY

Christopher Temple Emmet, 73, died on February 11 at Doctors Hospital in New York. He resided at 901 Lexington Avenue.

Born in Port Chester, N.Y., Emmet attended Harvard and several universities in Germany. After six years in Europe, he returned in 1933 and wrote articles and book reviews voicing his views against Nazism and Soviet Communism. He played an important role in numerous organizations and committees defending democratic liberties.

A long-time OPC member, Emmet was also a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, a trustee of Freedom House and a director of the International Rescue Committee.

He is survived by a sister and three brothers.

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Louis Cassels, 52, UPI senior editor and religion writer, died at his home in Aiken, S.C. on January 23.

A veteran of 32 years service with UPI, Cassels was born January 14, 1922 in Ellenton, S.C. He was laid to rest in the Washington Cathedral on February 19.

WICKER, ELLIOT

TO HEADLINE OPC

"TALKING SHOP" SERIES

Two important news executives and newsmakers will headline the renewal of the Overseas Press Club's popular "Talking Shop" series beginning March 7.

Tom Wicker, Chief of the Washington Bureau of The New York Times will open the series on Thursday, March 7, at 5:30 p.m. in the OPC's new quarters on the 19th floor of the Biltmore Hotel.

Wicker will be followed on Thursday, March 21 by Osborn Elliott, Editor and Chairman of the Board of Newsweek, Inc.

Tom Wicker is a native of North Carolina and a graduate of the University of North Carolina. He began his newspaper career in Aberdeen, N.C. and had successive news positions in Lumberton, N.C., The Winston-Salem Journal and later as an associate editor of the Tennessean in Nashville.

He joined The New York Times in 1960 with the Washington Bureau and covered the White House, the Capitol and national politics. He became chief of the Washington Bureau of the Times in 1964 and was appointed associate editor in 1968. He is the author of seven novels and two non-fiction books and has contributed to current events magazine.

"Oz" Elliott began his Newsweek career in 1955 as a senior editor in charge of business news. He was later appointed managing editor in 1959, editor in 1961 and editor-in-chief in 1969.

While still editor in 1970 he was named vice chairman of the Newsweek board. In 1971 he was promoted to president and chief executive officer and in March 1972 to Chairman of the Board of Newsweek, Inc.

Before joining Newsweek, Elliott was an associate editor of Time magazine and previously a reporter and columnist for the Journal of Commerce.

A native New Yorker, Elliott received an A.B. from Harvard. He is the author of "Men at the Top" and the editor of "The Negro Revolution," a comprehensive survey of American racial attitudes first published in 1964.

The OPC's "Talking Shop With" series is under the direction of committee chairman *Larry Stessin*. Other notable figures in journalism and other fields will be headlining the regular feature during the year, according to Stessin.

LETTERS

Dear Editor:

For the sake of factual accuracy, I should like to keep the record straight with this correction of an error I made in my brief history of the OPC published in the Feb. 15 issue of The Bulletin. The late Burnet Hershey, who was our third president and official historian of the Club, recalled the beginning of OPC as follows in "The Overseas Press Club Story" published in the 1962 Who's Who:

"The bizarre beginning of the OPC was in an ancient Bar and Grill on the corner of Ninth Street and Sixth Avenue in New York. Here a handful of newsmen, former correspondents and ex-members of the "International Barflies" (a sentimental offspring of Harry's New York Bar in Paris) met and felt the need of a Manhattan counterpart. They just didn't like drinking alone. Charlie Ferlin hatched the idea, sold it to Wythe Williams, Sam Dashiell, Linton Wells and the youngest of the gang, Hal Lehrman. Nostalgia was the first order of business. Now for a thirst emporium uptown, which would give an overseas correspondents club a home—and, perhaps, even a landlord who would pick up the tab! That was way back in March, 1939."

Thanks for keeping me an accurate reporter by publishing this postscript as a footnote to history.

—David Resnick

Dear Editorial Person:—

A story in the February 1st issue of The Bulletin about the proposed organization of the OPC region in Florida mentioned that a chairperson will be nominated. There is some inconsistency in Bulletin style, however. The story about the OPC nominating committee mentions a chairman.

If however, the Florida story is a precedent-setter, we will probably soon be reading in The Bulletin about newsperson, camerapersons, deskpersons, legpersons, journeypersons and other breeds of neuter gender.

In line with this, perhaps Larry Blochman, who was elected to the nominating committee, should change his name to Blochperson. And Harold Hewman, who has just filed an application for OPC membership, should get started right by changing his name to Hewperson.

Yours impersonally
Jerome S. Kriska

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Associate Resident

Suzanne Hilliard, Editor-in-Chief, True Story Magazine, New York.

Sponsors: *Rosanne McVay, Jack Galub.*

Associate Non-Resident

Frank W. Chinnock, Exec. Vice President, Franck & Assoc., Ridgefield, Conn.

Sponsors: *Joseph Blank, John Luter.*



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WhoWhatWhere

By GRACE NAISMITH

HONORS: The memory of OPC's **Dickey Chapelle**, who was the first woman war correspondent killed in action, is kept alive by the annual Marine Corps League Dickey Chapelle Award for the woman who "has contributed the most to the morale, welfare and well-being of the officers of the U.S. Marine Corps." The award is a statuette of Dickey modeled by Sculptor Ming Fay of Hong Kong. Mrs. Donald Spicer received the award for 1974. Earlier recipients were Martha Raye, Lucy Caldwell, Esther Clarke, Verona Devney, Marjorie Merriweather Post and Betty Donovan Rentrop. Nominations for the 1974 Award should be sent to Awards Committee, Marine Corps League, 933 N. Kenmore St., Arlington, Va. 22201.

Dickey was accompanying Marines when she was killed by a mine in Vietnam on Nov. 4, 1965. She was wearing the globe and anchor Marine insignia which Gen. Wallace Greene, Marine Corps Commandant, had taken from his own uniform and given to her when she left for Vietnam... **Charles G. Hagedorn**, editor and publisher of the weekly, *Town and Village*, has received the Bronze Medallion of the City of New York on the publication's 25th anniversary... **Roy I. Newborn** will receive "The Man of the Year" Award of the Anti-Defamation League, Publisher's Division, at the Waldorf-Astoria dinner on March 20 where he will be guest of honor. Newborn, now in the book business, has originated a new service for OPC members: any book in print at a special discount. His address: 808-10 Green Ave., Altoona, Pa. 16601.

NEW LOOK: **Arthur Reef** has been elected vice president of American Metal Climax, Inc., where he has served as director of public relations and advertising since 1966. Active in international PR in Europe, South America and the Far East, Reef is also a director of the Belgian-American Chamber of Commerce... **David B. Richardson** has been named Regional Editor in Rome for U.S. News & World Report, with an area of coverage that will include Southern Europe and parts of Africa. He returns to work as a foreign correspondent after 9 years as Administrative Editor in the magazine's Washington headquarters, during which period he set up and directed a system of 8 domestic news bureaus in the U.S.

HITHER AND THITHER: **Russell Warren Howe** has just returned to Washington from a month in the Middle

East, doing magazine articles and UPITN television interviews with the leaders of Egypt, Jordan and Israel. He is writing pieces for Saturday Review World, The New Republic and the Washingtonian... **Andrew Weil** is in Dakar on a consulting assignment to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and the Government of Senegal in connection with that government's new foreign trade zone... **Ben Grauer**, leading a tour of 35 American broadcast and newspaper journalists on a survey of postwar Israel.

PUBLISHING EVENTS: **Charles Morrow Wilson** has a new book coming out soon — "Green Treasures: Discoveries of Edible Plants," Macrae Smith, Philadelphia. Also two new paperback reprints — "Stars Is God's Lantern," Random House-Ballantine and "Biography of Rudolf Diesel," University of Oklahoma Press... **Donald J. Thorman** of Kansas City, Mo. is publishing a newsletter, *Successful Marriage*, which offers practical information to help make marriages work. It is nondenominational "value-oriented," and contains quotations from various marriage journals and authorities. If you want to make your marriage work, write Don for a free sample copy of his *Successful Marriage*, Box 1042, Kansas City Mo. 64141... **Jim Atkins**, of Exposition Press and who "claims to produce off-beat direct response copy" says the first ad agent to handle a freelance direct response writer is Anita Grein — Jim Atkins.

SEEN ON THE SCENE: **Angier Biddle Duke**, **Alex Liepa**, Doubleday editor, **Lucy Freeman**, writer, **Clyde C. Taylor**, vice-president, Putnam's **Ralph Martin**, author; **Janice** and **Charles Robbins**, editors and writers; **Howard Kaney** and daughter; **Helen**

Farrington, Washington OPC member, and **Julia Edwards**, who is this month in **Lin Root's** apartment while Lin is researching and writing a book elsewhere. Julia will accept a New York editorial and writing job. Know of the right one for her talents?

OVERHEARD in the crowded OPC Petite Lounge at the Biltmore: "There's nothing like coming back from a trip or an illness and being greeted so warmly by so many friends," a member was saying to a companion. "That is what a Club is all about."

AIRED AND VIEWED: **Richard Hanser's** "Mark Twain's America" now included in the choice Landmark Documentaries being shown by the New York Public Library system. It was originally written for NBC... **Ruth K. Hill** recently scored with her WGBHTV on "A Bill of Rights for Children." "Live" court kids participated in the program... **Sylvia G.L. Dannett** on the Casper Citron show Feb. 11 with her new book, "The Yankee Doodler," published by A.S. Barnes.

SPEAKERS: **Helen Alpert**, associate editor of *Retirement Living*, spoke recently on "Five Secrets to Successful Retirement." Her audience: the Woman's Press Club of New York City, meeting at the Statler-Hilton... **Frederick H. Sontag** led a three-day working conference on "State Party Chairmen in American Politics" in Cambridge, Mass. and also steered a report on how to improve the choosing of the next U.S. President in 1976 at a four-day conference at Harriman, N.Y. Sontag is the author of "PARTIES: The Real Opportunity for Effective Citizen Politics," published by Alfred A. Knopf.

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